

SNOW, ICE, RUBBISH, GARBAGE CLOG NEW YORK'S STREETS MENACING CITIZENS' LIVES

Evening World Investigator
Finds Conditions Deplorable
in Manhattan.

MONTH MORE WORK.

Street Cleaning Department
Depending on the Sun to
Finish the Job.

Nearly one million dollars of the city's money has been dumped into the sewers to melt away with the snow of a fortnight ago. And there is every prospect of \$2,750,000 of good money being thrown in on top of that before Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx are emancipated from the snow plague.

Seventy-two thousand, six hundred and twenty-five dollars has been poured into the snow sewers for each of the eight days of snow removal. And unless the sun shines continually for many days and the nights are warm it will be another month before the streets are restored to cleanliness. Hurry up, spring!

As Commissioner Fetherston, the new head of the Street Cleaning Department, sits helplessly in his office and assures an army of reporters and a much larger army of angry citizens that "We are doing the best we can!" the city struggles under a mountain of snow, ice, rubbish, garbage and general filth.

Commissioner Fetherston has asked the Board of Estimate for \$581,000 to pay for the first eight days' work. And the city will still owe about \$400,000 to pay for the work done up until last night. The Commissioner is praying for a double powered sun from now on.

An Evening World reporter made an extensive tour of Manhattan yesterday, the fourteenth day since "16,000 men and 2,600 trucks began removing the snow." Neither Brooklyn nor the Bronx was taken into consideration—only Manhattan, where the work of the "street cleaners" has been centered.

SNOW REMOVAL TRUCKS NOT IN EVIDENCE.
One cannot conceive just how fearful street conditions are until such a tour is undertaken. Every section of the borough was visited—on foot, in surface cars, elevated trains and on a Fifth Avenue bus. And it is a solemn fact that the reporter saw scarcely a dozen snow removal trucks. Perhaps it was fate that he always was "where they ain't."

Slipping and sliding and sloshing over crossings of even the heavy traffic streets—where one would suspect an effort would have been made to have the streets inhabitable—and dodging in and out among miniature mountains of dirty, mud-stained snow; fighting for the pedestrian's right of way on sidewalks filled with heavy horse-drawn wagons, auto trucks and taxicabs that found it impossible to plough their tortuous way through the snowdrifts; guttering the streets from gutter to gutter; carefully sliding variable cesspools of filth decaying between piles of snow that once was virgin; hastening away from the piles of garbage dumped into the choked streets because wagons could not force their way over the usual routes; stepping unexpectantly into mudholes, and leaping across rivers and lakes of muddy snow—indeed, the way of the investigator was hard.

There was just one saving grace in the whole situation. The sidewalks are clean! So, one wonders why the city doesn't practice what it preaches. Stern policemen have made their rounds since the plague of snow stunned the city, forcibly recalling to householders' minds the law that makes it necessary to clean the sidewalks. And everywhere citizens have labored determinedly and consistently, and, having obeyed the city's laws, they stand on their cleansed pavements and view with wondering eyes—mirroring also anger and resentment, that unquestionably they were not getting a square deal—the horrible condition of the streets that seemingly the city has not even tried to clean. And they sadly conclude there is a vast difference between a citizen and a city.

Having hardly survived the trip through the east side, transformed into a busy, snowladen Siberia, the reporter came to Fifth Avenue and Forty-second street—wonderfully clean in comparison with parts of Darker New York, and sought Supt. Gunther of the Snow Removal Bureau. He was asked to explain.

"WE ARE DOING THE BEST WE CAN," ECHOED.
"We are doing the best we can," he echoed, and then he turned hastily to distract the caller's mind and flashed a newspaper clipping.

THROWING SNOW INTO SEWERS GETS A DELAYED TRIAL

A plan to clean the streets of snow by dumping it into the sewers and then flushing them out with powerful streams of water from fire engines was tried out to-day in Sixty-eighth street between Lexington and Third avenues, behind Fire Headquarters. It failed, but Fire Commissioner Adamson, Street Cleaning Commissioner Fetherston, Chief Kenon and Ernest Flagg, inventor of the scheme, were satisfied that had the snow been attacked soon after its fall, before it had time to freeze into heavy lumps, the plan would have operated successfully.

Mr. Featherston had a squad of street cleaners on hand and Mr. Adamson had Engine 89, a motor engine which throws 700 gallons of water a minute, brought around from the Headquarters building. The snow was dropped through a manhole into which the stream from a hose was directed.

The work seemed to be progressing well until some one thought to look at another manhole one hundred feet to the east. Then it was discovered the snow had clogged the sewer pipe and the water was backing up into this manhole.

If there be another fall of snow this year the plan will probably be tried again. Chief Kenon believes it would work at all times if the hydrants were connected directly with the sewers so that water could be poured into the pipes between the manholes.

Department nineteen years and "never struck such awful weather conditions as now." "It's the weather that's responsible," he said. "You see, even Edwards can't fight the weather." But Bill Edwards is not cleaning the streets of Newark. It's not his job. Thus the Street Cleaning Department depose and presents its alibi.

Officials talk blandly about the garbage and rubbish wagons making their regular rounds and say the continued cold has retarded the snow removal. But nevertheless the East Side is fairly covered with effluvia of thousands of houses and tenements, and Washington street and other thoroughfares on the West Side are in similar disease-breeding condition.

In the better residential districts the plague of snow is fully as bad, though householders have been more patient and have tried to keep the snow-filled streets clear of rubbish and filth. Fifth Avenue is clean up to One Hundred and Tenth street, but above that point it holds mountains of snow. For a great cross-town street, the first traffic artery above Central Park, One Hundred and Tenth street is a joke. It is almost impassable, even at its busy intersection with Fifth Avenue.

Madison Avenue is fairly clean and also parts of Lexington Avenue, but Park Avenue is in bad condition. From Forty-second to Forty-seventh street, the cross thoroughfare east of Fifth Avenue is clean, but north of that few streets are passable. Fifty-ninth street is clear, but it is strangely true that the main arteries of the city are in a state of chaos.

Central Park has not been cleaned. Such streets as Sixty-fifth, Seventy-second, Seventy-ninth, Ninety-sixth and One Hundred and Second that have the heaviest traffic, are in fearful shape. Eighty-fifth street was the first cross-town park artery the tourist finds cleared as it should be.

HALE'S STREETS NEARLY ALL BLOCKED.
Unpassable conditions exist in Lenox. St. Nicholas, Seventh and Eighth avenues above the park. Harlem's streets have almost a complete blockade, and busy One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street is like a veritable oasis in a desert. The "mountainous streets" of Upper Broadway are so choked that lives of those forced to traverse them are menaced.

At Columbus Avenue and Eighty-fourth street the reporter saw three men cleaning a crossing—and was hopeful. A very few streets from the Hudson River to Central Park between Fifty-ninth street and One Hundred and Tenth are clean, even important. Seventy-second street being choiced. Columbus and Amsterdam in bad shape, and about half the least said about north and south arteries further west the better—for Mr. Fetherston.

Below Central Park the few cross streets open are Fifty-ninth, Forty-second, Thirty-fourth, Twenty-third and Fourteenth, with short stretches of others. Hudson and Washington streets and the whole of Greenwich Village are snowbound, though Greenwich street is in fair condition. Sixth Avenue is clear, but Seventh and Eighth are piled high with snow and are in few stretches, while West Broadway is travelled at personal risk.

Commissioner Fetherston adds little in the way of verbal relief, at least, and his customary optimism—to what he has said repeatedly: "We are doing the best we can."

JOB SEEKERS IN RIOT.
Attack Man Whom Police Say Had No Authority to Employ Them.

Nearly four hundred job-hungry waiters attacked policeman to-day when the officers tried to rescue Alfred Beland, thirty-five years old, of No. 807 West street, who, it is charged, was putting up a confidence game on the Wall.

Beland advertised for waiters for a Canadian Railroad. The police say he demanded \$5 from each applicant and that he had no authority to do so. Monahan and Detective Cohen went to No. 807 West street, where Beland was operating, and asked to get up a list of waiters. When they tried to go to the second floor they were met by a mob of waiters who had been waiting for the police to come.

New York Women Lead in Daring Fashions; They Outdo Even Paris, Says Mme. Reboix



"The Costumes That Are Worn in New York To-day Will Be Worn in Paris To-morrow—The Most Daring Novelties I Have Seen Here Are Not Yet Known at Home," Declares the Visitor.

AMERICAN WOMEN BEAUTIFUL AND CHIC.

"The New York Woman Is Built Like a Goddess, With Her Long Lines and Her Erect, Dominant Carriage, Very Different From the French Woman."

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall.

New York women set the fashion for the women of Paris! No longer do the wealthiest of Uncle Sam's daughters turn themselves out in painstaking imitation of the Parisian mannishness. On the contrary, the feminine contingent of the erstwhile Capital of Fashion seeks anxiously to know what is being worn in New York. The most daring modes are first to be seen on the women of this city and are adopted by Parisians some time later, if at all.

A French woman has made this distinctly piquant discovery. She is Mme. Leone Georges-Reboix, wife of Paul Reboix, playwright, novelist and literary editor of the Paris Journal. Mme. Reboix is herself well known as a painter on ivory and porcelain. Also, according to her husband, she is the most beautiful woman in the world. "I have travelled all over the world," he said, "and nowhere have I seen a woman more beautiful than she."

Nor do I think that M. Reboix's remark should be dismissed as a honeymoon rhapsody. Mme. Georges-Reboix is really a very lovely little person. She has a figure which is at once slender and rounded, and her hands and feet are exquisitely modelled. Her gold-brown hair is wreathed about her small head and one or two locks fall childishly over her forehead. She has big brown eyes set under arching brows, a smooth olive skin and a mouth of which the color betrays the demure expression. Her face, wide and almost square at the forehead, curves to a round, softly modelled chin—almost exactly the facial contour of an expensive French doll. But there is nothing doll-like in the quick interplay between mouth and eyes, which makes half her charm.

"As an artist and as a beautiful woman," I put it to her frankly, when I called on her at the Hotel Belmont, "how does the American woman impress you?"

"AMERICAN WOMEN BEAUTIFUL, BUT DIFFERENT."
"The American woman is beautiful and she is chic," replied Madame Georges-Reboix. "But both in her beauty and in her chicness she differs from the woman of my country."

And then came the innocent bombshell remark which, if it's true, must reverse the old saying into a promise that when good Parisians die they shall go to New York. Said Madame calmly:

"The costumes of New York women are made differently from the costumes of French women. But that does not mean that the women of your city are behind the style. It means that they are ahead of the style. The costumes that are worn in New York to-day will be worn in Paris to-morrow. The most daring novelties I have seen here are not yet known at home."

"I went to the opera last night," continued Madame, with kindling enthusiasm, "and I was enchanted and amazed with the beauty and the elegance which I beheld. One thing which interested me much was the fact that your women do not wear too many jewels. I had expected to be blinded with them. But there was no crude magnificence, nothing but the beautiful display which might be expected in a continental capital. The effect was of intense sophistication, not of barbaric splendor."

"In dress, though, you have courage. You carry off the daring design with a grand air. For an example, I hear that your women are beginning to wear colored hair in the hotels and on the streets. In Paris they have never worn the blue and green hair which is to-day."

work in your shops and in your inexpensive restaurants. They surpass in these respects the young women occupying a similar position in life at home.

"American women seem to have more babies than French women have, and to spend more of their time with their little ones. The freedom and independence of the American woman apparently does not interfere with her being a good mother. And in manners and social customs she is more free than the French woman, though I think the latter has much freedom in her mind. The American woman seems to be regarded as a delightful companion by her husband."

"Then you haven't noted that her freedom of manner and her athletic development have made her unattractive to men?" I asked, hoping the answer would properly squelch the sweet, womanly female.

"When she is athletic her men friends or her husband, far from being displeased, obviously desire to be athletic in her company," Madame gratified my unspoken wish.

But after this, when we wear naughty frocks, we can't blame it on Paris!

**12,000 MILES TO WED
MAN SHE'S NEVER SEEN**

After Photograph Courtship Miss Hulse Goes to Marry Bowman in Japan.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 28.—Hazel Hulse, daughter of James Hulse of No. 612 Princeton Avenue, this city, has begun preparations for a journey to Japan, where she is to marry a man she has never seen. He is Arthur G. Bowman, an American employee of the Imperial Maritime Customs of China, in which service Miss Hulse's brother, Aubrey, and her uncle, Clarence Lovett, are also employed.

Photographs sent by the Trenton girl to her brother and uncle first stirred Bowman's fancy. He ventured to write her, and before long a regular interchange of letters was under way. In May Miss Hulse will start for the Far East, accompanied by her brother, who has been on leave of absence in this country. In Tokyo they will be met by Bowman and Lovett, and the marriage will take place in that city. Then Bowman and his bride will proceed to Hangchow, where Bowman is stationed.

M. J. Thompson, Teacher, Dead.
Maurice J. Thompson, principal of Public School No. 79, Third Avenue and Seventy-fifth street, died yesterday in the Hackensack Hospital, Hackensack. Mr. Thompson was forty-six years old. Before becoming principal of Public School No. 79 he was principal of Public School No. 8, at Madison Avenue and Eighty-fifth street. He is survived by his wife and two children.

BAREFOOT CHASE IN SNOW AND ICE LANDS BURGLAR

Policeman Dressing When Little Son Warns Him of Intruders in Kitchen.

TWO DASH UP TO ROOF.

Pursuer Halts One by Firing in Air and Gets Him as He Falls in Snow Bank.

Harry, the four-year-old son of Patrolman Henry A. Shaw of the Delancey street station, has the detective instinct.

The boy was playing in the parlor of his home, No. 118 East One Hundred and Eighteenth street, late yesterday afternoon. His mother had gone visiting and his father was dressing, preparing to go on duty.

Hearing a noise at a door leading into the kitchen from the outer hall Harry investigated. The door suddenly opened and two men entered. The boy stole back into his father's room and said: "Burglars in the kitchen."

Shaw, careless and without shoes, seized his revolver and ran to the kitchen. The men dashed up the stairs to the roof. There they separated, one running east over the roofs and the other west. Shaw followed the man going east and saw him dive through the scuttle at No. 119.

On reaching the street the patrolman was some distance behind the man who turned east. At Lexington Avenue he was half a block in the lead and gaining. He turned south on Lexington Avenue and Shaw called out:

"Stop, or I'll shoot!"

The man did not stop and Shaw fired twice in the air. This frightened the man so that he fell face first in the snow.

Shaw took him to the East One Hundred and Fourth street station, where he said he was Alfred Ardiciona of No. 515 East One Hundred and Sixth street. He refused to give the name of his companion and was locked up charged with burglary.

**NEAR DEATH HIMSELF,
CARRIES HURT GIRL
MILE TO HER HOME**

Young Man in Coasting Accident Rescues Companion, Who Is Crippled for Life.

DANBURY, Conn., Feb. 28.—Physician attending Hawley Silkman, a student who, with Miss Marion E. Taylor, was injured in a coasting accident last evening, declares to-day that the young man is in grave danger. Three of his ribs are broken and he is hurt internally, his condition having been greatly aggravated by his efforts in carrying Miss Taylor more than a mile to her home after the accident.

Miss Taylor, who is the daughter of William H. Taylor, owner of a hotel at Mill Plain, will be crippled for life as the result of a broken hip. The two were coasting on "Joe's Hill," a steep slope a mile and a half long. At a sharp curve near the bottom the sled left the track, shot for twenty feet through the air and pitched them against a bank of ice and snow. When Silkman struggled to his feet he saw that the girl was helpless. There was no one near to aid, so, picking her up in his arms, he started the agonizing journey home.

On the porch of the Taylor home Silkman fell, unconscious from pain and weakness. He had been an hour and a half in covering the distance.

**ONCE WEALTHY LAWYER
DIES ON THE STREET**

Was Walking to Hospital Because He Had Not Money for Carfare.

Solomon Emanuel, a lawyer and a graduate of the Columbia Law School in the class of 1875, died to-day in the arms of his wife on the steps of a house at No. 225 West Thirty-eighth street. He collapsed on his way to the Polytechnic Hospital.

With his wife Mr. Emanuel started from their home, a furnished room at No. 522 Eighth Avenue, for the hospital. They walked because he had no money to pay carfare.

The lawyer was formerly a man of means. He had offices at No. 320 Broadway and for seventeen years was connected with the Metropolitan Street Railway Company. He left their employ five years ago and had supported himself by addressing envelopes and doing what clerical work he could get. He is said to have had a wealthy sister, but was always proud to let her know that he had fallen on hard times.

"CRAB RACE" WON, BROOKLYN BOY IS LOST IN BRONX

But All the Same He Wanted No Fussy Women Wiping Away His Tears.

PROUD MESSAGE TO DAD

Likes Police Station Pretty Well, Thank You, but He Is Home Now.

Fortunately for nine-year-old Joaquin Rodriguez of No. 808 Prospect Avenue, Brooklyn, this is Saturday and he can rest after the strenuous adventures into which he backed yesterday.

Joaquin accepted a "backin'" challenge from Willie Swain, who sits next to him in Public School No. 14, Eighteenth street and Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn.

He backed from the door of Public School No. 14 through several miles of Brooklyn streets, and when he finally got dizzy, paused and took his bearings, he had backed across the Brooklyn Bridge and was lost in Manhattan.

Several men caught the glint of the tears which dimmed his eyes and spoke sympathetically. Then one came along who asked him where he lived. Joaquin replied: "Prospect Avenue."

"Come along then, kid," said the man, "I'll take you home on the subway."

Finally the guard called "Prospect Avenue" and Joaquin and his friend got out. The friend called "Goodbye, kid," and was gone. Joaquin, to his consternation, was in a strange land. He had been brought to Prospect Avenue in the Bronx—not Prospect Avenue, Brooklyn.

Then he had another attack of dizziness, which brought more water to his eyes, and several officious women thought he was crying.

That was more than he could bear. He darted away from the women as fast as he could run. Policeman Gilligan, whom he found at One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and Tilton Avenue, addressed Joaquin with respect due a "champion backer up" and they talked as man to man.

About midnight Joaquin and his father started home. On the journey back Joaquin faced forward. Indeed, he rode on the subway.

**GIRL PISTOL CARRIER
SUFFERS FOR LOYALTY**

Edna Freund Silent About One Tony Who Gave Weapon, and So She Is Convicted.

Edna Freund, eighteen years old, of No. 15 Garfield street, Yonkers, was convicted in the Bronx County Court yesterday of a violation of the Sullivan law. She had been arrested on the evening of Lincoln Day for carrying a revolver at a dance given in the Wakefield Casino, Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and White Plains Avenue. The jury spent forty-five minutes in reaching a verdict, and Judge Gibbs thanked its members for voting "Guilty" in spite of the fact that the defendant was a girl.

Edna testified that she had gone to the dance with a man called Tony and that the weapon was his. She refused an offer of clemency if she would reveal his name.

COMMISSIONER SHIELDS ILL

Doctors Regard Complete Rest Necessary to Save His Life.

According to his physicians, the life of John A. Shields, United States Commissioner, for fifty-nine years an officer in the United States District Court, depends upon his ability to overcome his lifelong habits of vigorous effort and to rest quietly at home.

Commissioner Shields became ill a week ago as the result of overwork at his home, No. 300 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn. It was reported to-day that while his heart is in weakened condition his chances of recovery are good if he can divest his mind from his official duties. The Commissioner, who is in his seventy-fourth year, began his services in the Federal Court as a clerk when he was fifteen.

APPRAISALS OF ESTATES.

Mrs. Margaret C. Post, died Sept. 19, 1913; total estate \$10,392, net value \$5,751. Anna McAuliffe, died Jan. 5, 1914; total estate, deposits, \$4,300; net value, \$1,200. Henry Ludlow, died Jan. 27, 1914; total estate \$114,038, net value \$108,782.

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